

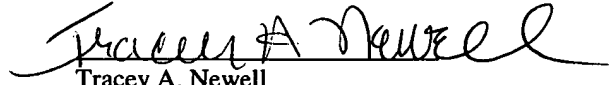
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For: THERMALLY STABLE AND LIQUID-TIGHT	: Atty. Docket: WEM-081US
JOINT BETWEEN A FIRST CERAMIC, METAL,	:
OR PLASTIC COMPONENT AND A SECOND	:
CERAMIC, METAL OR PLASTIC COMPONENT	:
AND THE USE OF ONE SUCH JOINT	:

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**Amendments to the Specification** being on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are listed beginning on page 7 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 12 of this paper.

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